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WATER QUESTION

DISCUSSED AT CLUB MEETING
TUESDAY EVENING.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

But It Was the Opinion That This
Issue Should Be Met
Squarely.

The Commercial club held a brief but interesting session last night and started something to rolling in the direction of the water question. The matter was brought up and generally discussed, and the unanimous opinion of those present was that the time has come to quit side-stepping and meet the issue squarely face to face and attempt to reach some sort of an equitable settlement of the question.

The matter has been hanging fire for several years, the Water company running without any franchise. During all that time the physical condition of the water plant has been on the decline. The Water company claims it is doing the best it can with the facilities it has at command, but machinery, boilers, etc., will wear out. It claims the company cannot command the money without a franchise to rehabilitate the plant, and that it cannot earn money enough at its present income to pay ordinary interest on what its plant is actually worth.

The fire proposition was discussed and the question was considered of such importance that the chairman was instructed to appoint a committee to work in conjunction with the city council in an effort to reach some satisfactory solution of the problem. Chairman Hyslop, who presided at the meeting, stated that he regarded this as a very important committee, and he would take some time to consider before making the appointments.

There are three avenues open to the public. The city can give the present Water company a franchise, if an agreement can be reached, or it can induce some other company to come in and build or buy the plant, or it can finally take it over and own and operate it. What the Commercial club wants is not to suggest just how the question is to be settled, but to secure immediate action if possible in the interest of property owners.

The matter of boosting for home trade was discussed at some length, and every legitimate means was favored to increase the volume of trade for Maryville. The matter of wearing "booster" buttons was suggested, but went over without action.

A motion prevailed to provide an entertainment for the traveling men when they meet here the latter part of this month. A smoker was favored, and the matter was referred to the entertainment committee with power to act. The U. C. T. will hold a meeting here January 27 or 28. An effort will be made to have the date set for the 27th as the 28th will fall on Saturday, at which time it would be difficult for the merchants to get away from their business. J. C. Schopp of St. Joseph, grand counselor, is expected to be with them at that time.

Last night's meeting was the first to be held in the club's new quarters, and there was a very fair attendance.

News of Society and Women's Clubs

M. I. Circle Meeting.

Mrs. Omar Catterson entertained the M. I. Circle at its regular meeting Tuesday. Eleven members were present. The devotional service was led by Mrs. F. M. Martin. The roll call was responded to with brief news of current events. Mrs. A. T. Fisher read a paper on Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Mrs. J. W. Ray gave one on John Howard Paine and Steve C. Foster. In

DR. GERTRUDE DUVALL

Ophthalmologist

The fitting of glasses
a specialty.

place of the pronunciation drill that was to have been conducted by Mrs. Alle Bosmer, who is spending the winter at St. Petersburg, Fla., a delinquent paper was read by Miss Emma Shroyer on J. Fennimore Cooper which was to have been given by her at a previous meeting, when sickness prevented her attendance. Mrs. J. E. Melvin was critic for the afternoon. There were two visitors present, Mrs. C. E. Funk of Sterling, Col., who, with her little son, Donald, have been visiting her husband's father, William Funk, and Mrs. Funk, of South Saunders street. Mrs. Hugh McIntosh was the other visitor.

Eastern Star Installation.

The Eastern Star chapter held its installation and banquet at Masonic hall Tuesday night, which was well attended and was quite a nice social affair. The officers installed were Mrs. James F. Cook, worthy matron; Byron W. Frost, worthy patron; Mrs. Walter Wiles, associate matron; Miss Morna Lamar, conductor; Miss Katharine Kuchs, associate conductor; Mrs. Byron Frost, secretary; Mrs. Frank Martin, treasurer; Mrs. L. J. Hunt, chaplain; Mrs. Rebecca Day, warder; Mrs. John Bantz, marshal; Miss Marie Reuillard, organist. Those chosen to represent the five points of the star are Miss Mabel Hunt, Adah; Mrs. LeRoy Johnson, Ruth; Mrs. R. H. Duncan, Esther; Miss Emma Kildow, Martha; Mrs. Richard Kuchs, Electa.

Amoma Class Officers.

The Amoma class of the First Baptist church Sunday school elected its instructor and officers for the ensuing year last Sunday as follows: Rev. Lee Harrel, instructor; Miss Mabel Hunt, president; Miss Serena Warson, vice president; Miss Laura White secretary; Miss Eva Davis, treasurer; Miss Ethel Breiden, reporter; Miss Mollie Henderson, visitor; Miss Hettie Roots, librarian.

Twentieth Century Club.

The general meeting of the Twentieth Century club at the Elks' club Tuesday afternoon was well attended. Two new members were taken in at this meeting, Mrs. Ferdinand Michau Townsend and Mrs. Leslie Dean. They take the places of Mrs. Perry O. Landon and Mrs. Arthur A. Loet, who withdrew their membership. The club also voted a resolution of thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Charles P. Luce and Mrs. G. H. Colbert for representing the club in so happy and wise manner in the Christmas number of The Democrat-Forum; also to Mrs. Anderson Craig for her poem in the same number. Reports from a number who were appointed to look up some matters that are to be inaugurated to meet some of Maryville's needs, among them being the report of Miss Hettie Anthony in regard to drinking fountains in the ward schools. The furnishing of the rest room for girls in the new high school was discussed by the club, which was the only question that was ready to be handled by the club on Tuesday, all others having to be laid by for the present. The principal things on Tuesday's program were the address by Miss Hettie Anthony on "Domestic Science in the Schools," and the paper by Mrs. G. B. Holmes on "The Trained Housekeeper," which brought out a general discussion by the club. Miss Anthony's talk was especially interesting, because of its authoritative quality. She spoke of the valuable work the schools are doing in introducing domestic science into the course of study, and of the economy, common sense and esthetic taste that has resulted from it. Miss Anthony spoke from her own wide personal experience as a teacher and student, and the club members were highly pleased with her instructive address and that of Mrs. Holmes.

W. J. STAPLES IN THE LAUNDRY BUSINESS

W. J. Staples has purchased the North Main street laundry of Charles Stillwell, the assignee, and will open for business next Monday.

The building is being remodeled all through and the washing machines and boilers will be placed in the basement. All new machinery will be installed. New office fixtures and papering and painting is making a complete change in the appearance of the interior. The new laundry will be known as the Peerless laundry, and the new owner intends to make it come up to its name.

The condition of Mrs. John Schenkel, living south of Maryville, who was brought to St. Francis hospital about a week ago, remains about the same.

HAD INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS TUESDAY

Installation of officers was held Tuesday evening by the I. O. O. F. lodge, a large attendance being present. The lodge is starting out the new year with much interest being taken in it. Jacob B. Moore, acting district deputy, installed the officers. The elected officers installed were:

Howard Whaley, N. G.
C. F. Welborn, V. G.
E. J. Williams, treasurer.
Eugene Rathbun, secretary.
The appointive officers installed were:
Jacob B. Moore, R. S. to N. G.
Alfred McNeal, L. S. to N. G.
E. W. Heiderman, R. S. to V. G.
O. G. Hayes, L. S. to V. G.
H. C. Smith, warden.
Frank Orcutt, conductor.
A. J. Thornton, R. S. S.
John Touhy, L. S. S.
Noah Sipes, O. G.
William Irwin, I. G.
W. H. Heiple, chaplain.

JUDGE JOHNSON'S OFFICE OVER PARLE'S STORE

Judge W. L. Johnson, whose office was badly damaged in the fire early Tuesday morning, has moved his office over the Parle drug store, and will be located there until his old office is fixed up. Judge Johnson, outside of losing some papers, escaped with little damage.

WEATHER CHANGING TO REAL WINTER

From a balmy spring day, the weather changed Tuesday night by a sudden drop in temperature to real winter. The weather bureau forecast for today is snow tonight or Thursday; colder tonight.

Here From San Francisco.

C. W. Baker of San Francisco, Cal., arrived in Maryville Wednesday noon and will spend a few days visiting his brother, Michael Baker, living south of the city. Mr. Baker is a traveling lumber inspector for the Southern Pacific railway. He says that the new Republican governor of California, Hiram Johnson, was elected to his office by the Southern Pacific railway, the corporation the new governor says he is going to put out of politics.

In Loving Remembrance

Of Sumner Kinsley Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvah L. Taylor, living seven miles northwest of Maryville, who was born October 23, 1910, and died January 8, 1911, at 9:25 a. m. Mrs. Taylor was Miss Mamie Kinsley, daughter of J. A. Kinsley, living northwest of Maryville. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home, by Rev. L. O. Bricker of the First Christian church of Maryville, burial in Oak Hill cemetery.

Thou little bud of promise,
Plucked from our loving arms,
Transplanted from earth's garden
To the heaven where nothing harms.

We shall miss you and remember
All your pretty childish ways.
How we loved your dainty presence,
How you brightened all our days.

While our hearts are sad and lonely,
And we mourn our baby dear,
Yet we know that always, ever,
His loved presence lingers near.

And we smile, though tears are falling,
For our great loss is his dear gain,
And we know that some bright morning
We shall meet our baby again.

Ladies, Fragrant Face Cream, at Koch's pharmacy, will keep the skin soft and smooth this cold weather. Guaranteed or money refunded. 11-13

Mrs. John J. Walsh and baby son, Richard Sturm Walsh, arrived in Maryville Wednesday noon and are guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Sturm.

Mrs. Mary Livasy returned to her home in Pickering Wednesday, having been here since Monday, caring for her daughter, Miss Lora Livasy, who has been quite sick at the home of her sister, Mrs. Howard Strong.

Mrs. J. B. Henderson returned Tuesday evening from a few days' visit with relatives and friends at Corning and Lenox, Ia.

WAS IN ST. JOSEPH

LOOKING UP EVIDENCE FOR HEZ
ROSCO.

TO MAKE A HARD FIGHT

E. E. Williams, Attorney for Rasco
Spent Day in That City—Trial
Set January 30.

The St. Joseph Gazette of Wednesday contained the following:

Edward E. Williams of Maryville, who, with Ellis Cook and Crawford & Saylor, will defend Hez Rasco in his trial for murder at Maryville, beginning January 30, was in St. Joseph yesterday looking up evidence tending to favor his client.

"We are trying hard to get ready for trial and will in all probability answer ready when the case is called by Judge Ellison," said Attorney Williams.

"Of course, our client's past record is against him, but the state has only circumstantial evidence against Rasco up to this stage of the game. So far I have never seen anyone who has said that he saw the gun which Sheriff Tilson and Deputy Evans allege that they found in the hay loft at the Rasco farm.

"We have made several requests to see it, but every time we are informed that it has been sent to a chemical laboratory to have the supposed blood and brains that the officers claim are smeared over the stock analyzed. The same way with the supposedly bloody overalls. Sheriff Tilson says that they, too, have been sent away for chemical analysis of the stains that the state claims are on them. Rasco still clings to his alibi story."

Attorney Williams spent the day looking up evidence relative to the train crews with which Rasco claims that he rode from Guilford to Ravenwood on the noon preceding the murder of the Hubbell family in the evening, and from Ravenwood back to Guilford at 3 o'clock in the morning following the murder.

Rasco's lawyer spent some time in the Buchanan county jail, where he consulted the officers with reference to the bleeding of Rasco's nose on one occasion when he was brought back to jail here from Maryville.

It is thought that the significance of this investigation lies in the fact that Rasco declares that he is subject to "nose bleed" and that blood which was found on his clothes after the Hubbell murder occurred, was from his own nose.

Rasco is now in about the same condition as when he was in St. Joseph, so far as his physical condition is concerned.

PARENTS HAD TO GIVE THEIR CONSENT

A marriage license was issued Wednesday to Harrison L. Gilbert and Miss Florence Wickard of Barnard. Both parties being under age, the groom being 20 years and the bride 16, the parents gave their consent to the marriage. They were married this afternoon by Squire J. W. Morris.

WAS ELECTED PRESI- DENT OF ASSOCIATION

At the annual meeting of the Missouri State Draft Horse Breeders' association, held at Columbia this week, in connection with farmers' week J. F. Roclafson of this city was elected president of the association. A number from Maryville are attending the meeting.

Formerly Lived Here.

Maryville friends received word Wednesday morning of the serious illness of Mrs. Laura Campbell of Osceola, Ia., of pneumonia. Mrs. Campbell is the mother of Prof. Russell Campbell, who was a member of the faculty of the old Maryville seminary for two or three years. Mrs. Campbell lived with her son during his residence in this city.

Two Doctors Are Sick.

Dr. C. D. Koch and Dr. K. C. Cummins are having the delightful experience of taking their own medicine this week, as both are confined to their home by grip.

WILL ARRIVE IN THE CITY THURSDAY

Word was received by Captain I. V. McMillan Wednesday that Mrs. McMillan and her son-in-law, W. R. Patterson, would arrive in Maryville Thursday morning on the Wabash with the body of Mrs. Patterson, who died Saturday at Atlanta, Ga. The party will come by way of St. Louis and will be joined at that place by Mrs. Ross H. McMillan.

No definite funeral arrangements have been made as yet, and will not be until the arrival of the party.

Ross H. McMillan of St. Louis, a brother of Mrs. Patterson, arrived in Maryville Wednesday morning. Mr. McMillan is assistant cashier of the Mercantile National bank of that city. Another brother, Frank McMillan of Pleasant Grove, O., also arrived in the city on Wednesday.

TO DECLARE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES ELECTED

Jefferson City, Jan. 10.—The conservative wing of the Democrats won a victory today that will permit the legislature to begin tomorrow the transaction of the business for which it was elected. The advice of Elliott W. Major, attorney general, that it is the duty of the legislature to go back of the returns when it casts up the vote for state officers and decide whether there were irregularities in the election, will be ignored entirely tomorrow and the legislature will declare the Republican candidates, Frank Wightman and William P. Evans, elected railroad commissioner and superintendent of schools. In the caucus today the senators, with few exceptions, favored issuing the certificates. The final vote was 63 to 29.

The will of George W. Collins, Sr., who died at his home in Guilman recently, was filed in probate court this week. The will was written April 10, 1897, and on December 26, 1901, a codicil was added. It was witnessed by J. W. Weddle, Jr., W. R. Smith and W. H. Frankum.

Miss Nannie Furlong of near Bedison returned to her home Tuesday evening, after a visit in Maryville with her sister, Miss Alice Furlong, who is engaged in dressmaking with Mrs. C. B. Roberts.

TO NAME A GENTRY COUNTY MAN?

Governor Hadley announced Tuesday that he would appoint a Gentry county man to the board of regents of the Northwest Normal, says the St. Joseph Gazette, to succeed Judge W. D. Rusk of St. Joseph, whose term has expired. It is not known who is slated for the place, but several are being mentioned.

The appointment of a successor to Anderson Craig, whose term has expired, will probably not be made until after the legislature has settled the election contests now on hand.

He Saw the Point.

A clerk in a local shoe store yesterday nearly had nervous prostration, and this is how it happened: A good old motherly looking woman asked to be shown some shoes for herself. The clerk did his best to please her, but somehow nothing suited her. At last the clerk showed her a pair, saying: "I am sure here is something you will like."

"They look all right," said the woman, "but the toes are too pointed."

"Oh, you know they are wearing pointed toes this season," suggested the young man.

"Is that so?" said she, as she looked at the salesman rather severely. "Well, that may be, young man, but I am wearing my last season's feet."

The salesman was carried into the open air and soon regained consciousness.

Mrs. C. E. Funk and son, Donald, of Sterling, Col., who have been visiting at the home of Mr. Funk's father, William Funk of South Saunders street, went to Ravenwood Wednesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bentley, and her sister, Mrs. I. A. Goodson. They will also visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. Walter Harris, at Brookfield, before returning to their home in Colorado.

Rev. Lee Harrel returned Wednesday noon from his trip to Platte City.

TO BE MORE STRICT

WITH NIGHT OPERATORS OF THE
TELEPHONES PROBABLY.

CITY'S SYSTEM FOR FIRES

Vance Westfall Explains Why He Did
Not Turn Alarm in to Telet
Telephone Central.

Vance Westfall, the man who ran to the fire house to turn in the alarm for the fire at Love's drug store early Tuesday morning, instead of turning an alarm in to the telephone central, says that the reason he did this was that he feared that if he had turned in the alarm to central that it would take some time before they would answer it, and that instead of doing this he thought best to turn in the general alarm.

It is stated that when the alarm was turned in to central and they were told that there was a fire around the square it took several seconds to understand what was being said, and the operator seemed to want to know the exact location of the fire. Several complaints have been made recently of this when there was a fire at night, and it is possible that the telephone company will be more strict with their night operators hereafter. In cases of fire or sickness every minute counts. The system of the city which was arranged with the telephone central for fires is to turn the alarm in to the telephone central, so that it may be immediately communicated to each member of the fire company.

154 BIRTHS AND 94 DEATHS IN 1910

Dr. Charles T. Bell, registrar of vital statistics, filed his report for the month of December, which shows that there were eight births and twelve deaths in Polk township during that month.

His report for the year 1910 for Polk township shows that there were 154 births during the year, 77 males and 77 females. There were 94 deaths, 48 being males and 46 females, during the year.

Formerly Lived Here.

Mrs. Tempa Davis McBride of Springfield, Mo., who has been visiting her brother, G. Fred Davis and family of near Hopkins, passed through Maryville Tuesday evening on her way to Columbia, Mo., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. M. Davis, formerly of Maryville. Her brother, Emanuel Davis, is in his senior year in the law department of the state university. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are just getting settled in their handsome new modern residence of twelve rooms.

Miss Katie Cornett went to Arkoe Tuesday evening to visit Miss Cora Brunk.

Miss Mary Q. Evans left for Des Moines Wednesday for a few days' visit with Mrs. E. C. Fintel.

The Weather

Snow tonight or Thursday; colder tonight.



To Wearers of Glasses

Every year or so you should have your eyes re-examined. For it is possible that the condition of your eyes has changed since you got your glasses.

If so the lenses do not now quite suit you, and this should be attended to.

Once in two years at least the lenses should be changed—providing of course that an examination shows the necessity.

Come in some day and we will find this out for you.

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Fragments of Wisdom.

When a woman holds a man in the hollow of her hand she can palm off any kind of talk on him.

All you've got to do is to stir some people up to have them boil over.

Flattery is a sort of bad money to which our vanity gives currency.

Social fame lasts as long as the possessor is present.

He who surrenders when he is wrong is wise. He who surrenders when he is right—is married. But he, too, is wise.

The hobbie skirt is making quite a stir, considering the entire absence of bustle.

Many present problems are past follies getting ripe.

Homey girls rush in under the mistletoe where peaches fear to tread.

The woman who marries to better herself generally becomes worse than ever. The prettier a woman is the less she believes love is blind.—January Smart Set.

Americans in English Society.

A witty Frenchwoman declared the other day that London was no longer an English city, but an American resort, and she feared that Paris, too, would soon surrender to the American invaders, who came armed with beauty, charm, and with gold.

Every year the center of the social stage is occupied by American hostesses and brides, and every year some lovely American receives the homage of the season as the most beautiful woman.

This winter this adulation has been paid to Mrs. Gifford Alexander Cochran of New York, who before her marriage was Mabel Heywood Taylor of Philadelphia.

Two other American women who are in the limelight of public interest in English circles are the Duchess of Roxburghe, who was Miss May Goelet, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Goelet, of New York.

They are salmon fishing on the Tweed river and their prowess with rod and line has astonished the men who have been on the fishing expeditions which start from Floors Castle, where the duchess is keeping open house.—Philadelphia Times.

Mrs. W. E. Bloomfield returned to her home in Parnell Wednesday, after a visit with her father, J. W. Bailey, living southwest of the city. Mr. Bailey has been quite sick but is some improved at present.

Mrs. Clyde Ayitt and baby daughter went to Pickering Wednesday to visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. James Koger. Her little daughter, Lucile, who has been visiting Mrs. Koger for several days, is threatened with measles.

Ernest Orr and Elmer McKee of Ravenwood and Joe Alexander of near Orrsburg were city visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. William Wallis, Jr., went to Kansas City Wednesday morning for a few days' visit with her mother.

Serious Eye Troubles

In children may not interest a parent when the trouble is commencing, but it gets to be of great importance when the sight is impaired.

A pair of properly fitted glasses might have saved the eyes. Let us make an examination in our usual way and advise you about your children's eyes.

Raines Brothers
JEWELERS, OPTICIANS
106 E. MAIN ST. MARYVILLE, MO.

AN UNREAD REPORT.

The Methods of Barney Barnato In His Mining Ventures.

Barney Barnato before the tragic termination of his career was widely known because of his large fortune won in mining ventures. His rapid accumulation of wealth was popularly attributed to luck, but luck of the persistent variety usually rests upon a more solid basis than mere chance. An insight to Barnato's methods is afforded by A. A. Blow, an American engineer once in Barnato's employ. After an exhaustive examination of a mine whose purchase was under consideration Blow prepared an elaborate and voluminous report. It was accompanied by maps and selections and was a piece of work of which the engineer felt that he could be justly proud. When it was handed to Barnato to read, however, the latter laid it aside unopened.

"Tell me about it," he said. Blow proceeded to make an oral report. Barnato dozed. Finally he exclaimed:

"I employed you because I think you know something about this business, and I do not. Now, I do not want to hear all of this scientific rot about this mine. All I want you to tell me is whether it is good business?"

Blow told him "No."

"Then that settles it," said Barnato. "You are willing to accept the responsibility of turning down this property at the price offered?"

"Yes," was Blow's reply, "but I want you to examine the reports, maps, assays, plans, etc., and see the reasons I have for my conclusions."

"Why should I do this?" Barnato inquired. "You tell me that it is not 'good business.' And as I cannot understand your report why should I waste my time on anything that is not good business?"—Moody's Magazine.

VOCAL TRAINING ABROAD.

The Handicap American Music Students Face in Paris.

"The American voice is better handled at home than abroad," is the conclusion that years of experience have led Mr. Savage to reach. "for here it is better understood than it is there. Vocal training acquired, Europe offers the advantage of generations of tradition and an opportunity to crystallize individual ideas of interpretation. Here the singer has his courses of technology; there he finds the Beaux Arts for polishing."

"One thing that must be keenly felt by Americans studying in Paris and who for years have spent their money and time there is the chauvinistic attitude of the French toward American singers."

"There are, it seems, 3,000 American music students in Paris. You can count on three fingers those in that number who will ever really 'arrive.' In many cases their people are slaving at home to meet constant demands for more money. Yet those students have no more chance of a Paris engagement than an tele in regions ultra tropical."

"At the Paris Conservatoire, a most excellent institution, they find native pupils on conclusion of study for years of appearances at French opera houses. In Paris there are the Grand Opera, the Opera Comique and the Lyrique, all signing them for engagements. From these they are in turn sent to such outlying theaters as those of Bordeaux, Lyons and elsewhere in the provinces. The French do not want the money to go out of the country."

"And still the cry is: 'Go to Paris to study! Go to Paris to study!'"—William Armstrong in Ainslee's.

When the Press Was Restricted.

Many of the restrictions that hampered the influence of the press remained in force until the close of the eighteenth century in England. It was not till that period that newspapers obtained the right to criticize the policy of ministers and of the king. Mr. Walter, the first editor of the London Times, was prosecuted for censuring the Duke of York. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$250, stand in the pillory for an hour, be imprisoned for a year and give security for his good behavior for seven years. The order with regard to the pillory was canceled, but he had to serve his term in jail.

Same Thing.

Mr. Simpson was reading the news paper. "Here's a Chicago man got into a drunken brawl and was stabbed to death," he said aloud.

His wife glanced up from her knitting and commented, "In some low saloon, I suppose."

"No. The paper says he got stabbed in the thoracic cavity."

"Same thing. You'd think the police would close such a place up."—National Monthly.

Unfit.

Cadger—Old Highroller has just been telling us about a time when he was shipwrecked and all the survivors but he were eaten by cannibals. Badger—Why didn't they eat him? Cadger—I don't know exactly, but I suspect there was a pure food commission on the island.—Lippincott's.

Perplexed.

"Your daughter's brain, madam, appears to be normal."

"Dear, dear, we've never had anything of that kind in the family before, I'm sure!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Our generosity should never exceed our abilities.—Cicero.

RUSSIA'S JESTER.

Balakireff Is the Joe Miller of the Muscovites.

HIS WIT TICKLES THE BEAR.

He Was the Court Fool That Many a Time Braved the Anger of Peter the Great—His Miracle of the Sword and a Wondrous Deed of Daring.

Every nation has its typical jester, around whom crystallize all the floating stories of a people. Thus England has its Joe Miller, Germany its Till Eulenspiegel, Italy its Punchinello, the orient its Nasreddin el Khoja and Russia its Balakireff. Like Joe Miller, the last was a real character, though not all the jokes credited to him were his own. Some were inventions of a later age; others were borrowed from the past. He shares the credit for many of the latter with Joe Miller and Eulenspiegel.

History records that Balakireff was the favorite jester of Peter the Great. Tradition represents him as the constant companion of that czar, frequently exercising his wit at royal expense. One day, for example, a cousin of his had fallen under the czar's displeasure and was sentenced to death. Balakireff undertook to obtain a reprieve. The czar guessed his errand even before he opened his mouth.

"No!" he cried. "Tis no use your coming here. I swear that I will not grant what you are going to ask!"

Balakireff dropped at once to his knees. "Peter Alexeyevich," he cried, "I pray you, put to death that scamp of a cousin of mine!"

Peter, thus caught in his own trap, had no choice but to laugh and send a pardon to the culprit.

On another occasion Balakireff asked that he might be enrolled among his master's domestic guards. Peter consented for the sake of the joke, but warned his jester that death was the penalty if any officer of the guards absented himself from his post or mislaid his sword. Then to test the volunteer he sent him up a flagon of wine to "moisten his commission." Balakireff, as was expected, drank to the intoxicating point. While he was sleeping off his debauch the czar himself crept into the room and carried off his sword from the scabbard. Balakireff, though badly scared, on awaking made shift to replace the missing weapon with his own wooden imitation of the guardsmen's sword. He was called to parade next morning, when Peter feigned hot indignation at the unfitness of one of the guards. "Captain Balakireff," he cried at last, "draw your sword and cut off the head of that slob!"

Balakireff cast his eyes up to heaven. "Oh, merciful God," he prayed, "grant that my sword may turn into wood before I use it on one of my own fellow soldiers!"

And, lo, when he unsheathed it the blade sword revealed as a wooden one. Peter laughed heartily at the knave's presence of mind and restored him to favor.

A more serious offense resulted in the banishment of the jester. "Never dare to appear again on Russian soil!" stormed the emperor. Judge then of Peter's surprise when, a week later, he beheld his old favorite coolly driving a cart past the palace.

"How dare you disobey me?" shouted the enraged monarch. "Did I not forbid you ever to show yourself on Russian soil?"

"Nay," replied Balakireff, "I have not disobeyed you. This is not Russian soil."

"How say you—not Russian soil?" "Truly not. This cartload of earth on which I am sitting is Swedish soil. I dug it up in Finland only the other day."

Again the czar laughed uproariously and readmitted his buffoon to favor. Some historians add that when he heard the excuse he said, "If Finland be Swedish soil now it shall be Russian before long," a threat he was not slow to fulfill.

This story, however, was an old one long before the time of Balakireff. It forms the twenty-seventh adventure of Till Eulenspiegel, who is reputed to have died in 1350. Having offended the Duke of Lüneberg, Till was "forbidden the land." He purchased a shilling's worth of earth to fill his cart with, and, being duly challenged by the duke, he answered:

"My gracious lord, I am not in your land, but in mine own, wherein I do sit. I bought it of a boor for a shilling. And rightfully could he inherit it. So is this truly my land."

At the close of one of Czar Peter's campaigns Balakireff overheard some Russian officers boasting of exploits they had performed.

"Nay," he cried, "I can tell a better story than any of you." And, being pressed for the story, he continued:

"Never have I liked this modern way of fighting all in a body together. Surely it would be more manly for each to stand by himself. Therefore went I out alone in search of adventures. One day while reconnoitering near the enemy's outposts I espied a Swedish soldier lying on the ground. Before he could rise and give the alarm I rushed upon him and with one blow from my sword cut off his right foot!"

"You fool!" cried one of his auditors. "Why did you not cut off his head?"

"So would I have done," retorted Balakireff, "except that somebody else had already done it."—Washington Star.

PLATTE VALLEY.

We are enjoying this nice weather here in the valley.

There seems to be quite a bit of sickness, such as bad colds and fevers.

Sig Rhoads died early Monday morning of typhoid fever. His body will be buried in the Jackson cemetery.

E. Halfhill and family went to Rosendale Monday to the bedside of a sick brother, who is not expected to live.

Lee McGeorge and wife lost a little child by death last Sunday.

The new Methodist church will be dedicated next Sunday, and the event will be celebrated with a basket dinner.

Henry Brown and family spent Sunday visiting at Henry Rasco's.

Henry Wilson and family, John Winters and family and Sam Aldridge and wife spent Sunday the guests of John Aldridge.

W. B. Torrance and family visited at B. T. Nelson's Sunday afternoon.

Frank Breit and wife and Ollie Breit and sister Amy were guests at the home of Frank Hannah and wife Sunday.

Alvin Nelson went Monday to Oklahoma to visit his brother, Chester, who is very low with typhoid fever.

K. C. Knudson is putting the finishing touches on Ollie Pettigrew's new house.

William Knowles of Maitland visited his sister, Mrs. K. C. Knudson, last Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. John Wilson and her daughter, Mrs. Goforth, visited her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Throckmorton, last Friday.

The lads and lassies of Platte valley had an enjoyable skating party last Friday night.

Sam Jobe and wife of near Barnard attended church in Guilford Sunday and visited Mrs. Jobe's parents.

Look out for a new confectionery in Guilford in the near future.

The men of the Latter Day Saints church, near Guilford, met on Friday and cut about ten loads of wood and piled it up, and on Saturday sawed it into stove length for the church.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Taylor desire to express thanks and appreciation for the kindness of neighbors and friends during the illness and death of their little son.

Marriage at Graham.

Recorder J. Arthur Wray issued a marriage license on Tuesday to George Woodworth Royston and Ogden Swartz, both of Graham.

Gone to See Sick Son.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Young of East Third street went to Bedison Wednesday to see their son, Elmer Young, who is threatened with typhoid fever.

White Cloud Dairy
Boyer & Son, Props.
Pure Whole Jersey Milk
Farmers Phone.

Condensed Statement of the Condition of

The First National Bank

Maryville, Missouri

At the Close of Business, Jan. 7, 1911

Resources

Loans and discounts.....	\$368,255.41
United States bonds.....	100,000.00
Premium on U. S. bonds.....	2,000.00
Redemption fund.....	5,000.00
Banking house furniture and fixtures.....	16,500.00
Cash and sight exchange.....	168,369.96
Overdrafts.....	4,901.25
Total.....	\$665,026.62

Liabilities

Capital stock paid in.....	\$100,000.00
Surplus and undivided profit.....	20,942.08
Circulation.....	100,000.00
Deposits.....	444,984.54
Total.....	\$665,026.62

The Above Statement is correct.

JOSEPH JACKSON, JR., Cashier

CAUSES SICKNESS.

Good Health Impossible With a Disordered Stomach.

There is nothing that will create sickness or cause more trouble than a disordered stomach, and many people daily contract serious maladies simply through disregard or abuse of the stomach.

We urge every one suffering from any stomach derangement, indigestion or dyspepsia, whether acute or chronic, to try Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets, with the distinct understanding that we will refund their money without question or formality, if after reasonable use of this medicine they are not satisfied with the results. We recommend them to our customers every day, and have yet to hear of any one who has not been benefited by them. Three sizes, 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a box. Sold in Maryville only at our store—the Rexall store. The Orear-Henry Drug Co.

The Parable of Chantecler.

New York.—Charles Frohman has given out for the first time some details of the forthcoming production of "Chantecler," which is to be seen at the Knickerbocker theater Monday night. The idea will be to present the characters as representing men and women.

"Chantecler stands for the man who believes that his work is the work that must be done if the world is to go on," Frohman said.

"The Hen Pheasant is simply a modern woman who is not jealous of Chantecler's work, but of his love of his work. The Black Bird is a cynic, the Dog a philosopher, the Guinea Hen a busybody, and so on through the cast. Rostand is a poet and felt the need of symbols to express his poetic treatment of a great human idea."

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Kennedy and daughters, Eva and Martha, of Bolckow, who have been visiting Mr. Kennedy's sister, Mrs. B. A. Willhoite, living west of Maryville, and his daughter, Mrs. C. J. Duncan, at Wilcox, returned to their home Wednesday morning.

MONEY BACK.

On That Basis the Koch Pharmacy Will Sell You a Bottle of Parisian Sage Hair Grower.

Hair must have nourishment or die. If it does not have proper nourishment it will lose its vitality, grow weak, and become an easy prey to the ravages of the vicious germs of dandruff.

Parisian Sage is a hair nourisher; it is the result of sincere study and experiment by one of the world's leading scientists.

It should be used regularly as a hair dressing by everyone with healthy hair, because it never fails to prevent dandruff, falling hair, or any scalp disease.

But Parisian Sage is not only a preventive, it is a certain cure for dandruff; it stops itching of the scalp instantly; it makes hair grow thick and luxuriant. It is especially in demand by ladies, because it makes the hair beautiful, soft and fluffy. It is sold by the Koch pharmacy and druggists everywhere, under a positive guarantee to do all that is claimed for it, or money back.

Mail orders filled, charges prepaid, by the American makers, the Groux Mfg. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. The girl with Auburn hair is on every package.

MONEY BACK.

Hyomel Cures Catarrh Without Stomach Dosing, or Money Back.

Yes, dear reader, catarrh can be cured; but not by pouring vile, nauseating drugs into the stomach.

You've got to kill the catarrh germs, that's all there is to it, before you can cure catarrh.

And catarrh germs thrive, flourish and multiply in the nose and throat.

Can you kill these tough and persistent little health destroyers by swallowing pills or nostrums? Any physician will tell you it cannot be done.

Hyomel (pronounce it High-o-me) is a germ killing vaporized air which, when breathed either through the mouth or nose, will kill catarrh germs and soothe and heal the inflamed and mutilated membrane promptly. It gives relief in two minutes.

Hyomel is such a powerful germ destroyer that it penetrates every fold and crevice of the mucous membrane of the nose and throat.

A complete outfit, which includes inhaler, a bottle of Hyomel and simple instructions for use, costs \$1.00.

Should you need a second bottle of Hyomel the price is only 50c. Leading druggists everywhere and the Orear-Henry Drug Co. sell Hyomel.

Is Visiting in Michigan.

Mrs. F. S. Maxon and her mother, Mrs. Amanda Pistole, of Pickering, were shopping in Maryville Wednesday forenoon. Mr. Maxon is in Michigan on a visit. Before returning home he will visit two sisters, Mrs. Anson Grimes and Mrs. Fred Radford, at Jackson, Mich., and his three sons, Charles, William and Elbert Maxon, at Mt. Pleasant, Mich.

Mrs. Alice Karr of Peabody, Kan., arrived in Maryville Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. R. S. Roelofson, and her nephew, J. F. Roelofson. Mrs. Karr came here from Savannah, where she visited her niece, Mrs. Eva May.

Coal! Coal!

The coal business is my exclusive business and the best grades of coal my specialty, and I solicit your orders for prompt delivery and your money's worth or money back. All coal well forked.

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The Exclusive Coal Dealer
Corner Fifth and Main
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Our extra fancy carnations at regular price of 75c per dozen. Violets at \$1.00 per 100. All of these lower prices effective at once.

ENGLEMANN GREENHOUSES,
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Don't Drop

Into the fallacy that all groceries are alike. There are as many different kinds as there are days in the year. Some groceries have fine labels to recommend them and nothing else. The kind we have will give satisfaction on the table and in the eating. We know the character of the contents of every package, yet we sell the best goods at prices unknown in other stores. You safeguard the health and wealth of the family by making your purchases here. We will sell on Thursday and Friday—

21 lbs best dry GRANULATED SUGAR for \$1.00

(Elsewhere you get about 17 lbs for the same money.)

7½ lbs fine POWDERED or CUT LOAF SUGAR 50c

25c cans LOG CABIN MAPLE SUGAR BUTTER 20c

25c size sacks CORN MEAL 15c

10c boxes Kila Dried YELLOW or WHITE MEAL, 2 for 15c

15c pkg POST TOASTIES, 2 for 25c

10c pkg POST TOASTIES, 3 for 25c

15c pkg GRAPE NUTS 11c

25c pkg best ROLLED OATS 18c

10c pkg best PEARL HOMINY, 2 for 15c

2 pkgs SHREDDED WHEAT 25c

2 pkgs CREAM OF WHEAT 25c

1 pkg CREAM OF WHEAT HEARTS 11c

200 sacks (10 lbs each) strictly pure BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, our finest goods, worth 50c, at 42c

Extra choice IRISH POTATOES, half bushel 35c

10 lbs solid CABBAGE 25c

Large SWEET ORANGES, value 45c doz 30c

Medium size SWEET ORANGES, value 30c doz 20c

Fresh crisp LETTUCE, 2 heads 15c

Choice large WHITE CELERY, 2 stalks 15c

Fresh TURNIPS, peck for 15c

Fancy Florida GRAPE FRUIT, 3 for 25c

Fresh RUTABAGAS, per peck 25c

Choice SWEET POTATOES and fresh PARSNIPS.

Good COUNTRY BUTTER, lb. 20c

Finest TABLE BUTTER, lb. 25c

1-lb pkgs fancy BONELESS COD-FISH, 2 for 15c

Morrell's best HAMS, per lb. 17½c

25c for 7 lbs good clean RICE.

25c for 4 lbs Santa Clara PRUNES. (Good size.)

5c for pkg best SEEDLESS RAISINS.

10c pkgs choicest SEEDED RAISINS, 4 for 25c

10c bulk TAPIOCA, 4 lbs for 25c

10c pkgs MACARONI, SPAGHETTI or VERMICELLI, 4 for 25c

10c pkg (1 lb each) best CORN STARCH, 4 for 15c

10c 1 X L POWDERED STARCH, 4 for 25c

10c SAPOLIO or BON AML, 2 for 15c

5-gal cans LOG CABIN MAPLE SYRUP \$1.25

1-gal cans best TABLE SYRUP, 3 for \$1.00

1 gallon 35c

10-lb boxes best SODA CRACKERS for 65c

20-lb box best SODA or OYSTER CRACKERS \$1.20

4 10c pkgs MINCE MEAT for 25c

1 lb Arbuckle's COFFEE 17c

(Small shops and credit stores would ask you 20c to 25c for this article.)

1 lb RIO COFFEE, ground 15c

1-gal jugs LOG CABIN MAPLE SYRUP 99c

5-lb pails LARD COMPOUND 55c

5 gals PERFECTION OIL (Thursday) 40c

5 gals PALACINE OIL (Thursday) 75c

5 gals best GASOLINE (Thursday) 68c

THE TOWNSEND CO.
THE ONLY LARGE EXCLUSIVE
CASH STORE IN NORTHWEST
MISSOURI.

MOTORS REVIVE SANTA FE TRAIL

Kansas Starts Boulevard That Can't Be Stopped.

MAY CROSS THE CONTINENT.

Fifteen Hundred Miles of Auto Highway to Succeed Historic Road Famed For Its Bullwhackers and Cattle Herds—East May Rehabilitate National Pike and Join Movement.

There still live in the west men who knew the old Santa Fe trail in the days of its glory, when mile long wagon trains dragged slowly over hill and plain. The prairie schooner of that day has given way to the motor car of this, the bullwhacker has become a chauffeur, and the old trail has become the new—the new Santa Fe trail—a motor speedway from the bank of the Father of Waters to the plaza of Santa Fe. Over the old trail these pioneers and their sons are spreading a boulevard fifteen hundred miles long.

It is not merely a project, this new Santa Fe trail. It is a solid actuality, which four states are pushing to completion, with Kansas and Colorado well in advance. The new Santa Fe trail is practically finished between Hutchinson, Kan., and Canon City, Colo., at which latter place one branch ends. It is being pushed south from La Junta to Santa Fe and east from Hutchinson to Kansas City and St. Louis.

Founded in sentiment, the real incentive behind the new Santa Fe trail was the big touring car. What the preaching of twenty years had failed to accomplish the motorcar accomplished in one—the conversion of the Kansas farmer to good roads.

The idea of the new Santa Fe trail originated with C. H. Scott, editor of the Hutchinson (Kan.) News. He made a plan of campaign with R. H. Faxon of the Garden City Telegram for carrying out the idea. They first called their project the Arkansas valley speedway and later the new Santa Fe trail.

Kansas and Colorado Join.

The idea was taken up with enthusiasm, and in a few months the road practically was completed from Garden City to the Colorado state line. Colorado took up the speedway, and the counties along the old trail pushed the new road through to Pueblo. There it was connected with the fine road that led westward up the valley of the Arkansas river to Canon City, ending at the Skyline drive, one of the most magnificent mountain roads in the world, skirting the edge of the Royal gorge, through which the river flows a thousand feet below.

Work was begun almost immediately on several stretches of the road, and by spring the whole length of it was completed. Nearly every farmer along the way contributed time to the work and lent a team or two, and when the cost was figured up it was found that it had cost the counties less than \$50 a mile. For that insignificant amount was built a natural speedway from Hutchinson west to the Colorado line thirty feet wide and as smooth and springy as a wooden block pavement and made of nothing but common dirt.

Movement Grows Rapidly.

Then the towns east of Hutchinson asked, if it was to be a new Santa Fe trail, why didn't it take in the whole length of the old trail? Was there any reason why the new trail shouldn't follow the old trail to this, that or the next town? There wasn't. So the towns east of Hutchinson joined in a convention a few weeks ago at Emporia, and it was decided to swallow the whole morsel and build the new trail on to Kansas City.

"But," said Kansas City, "if you are willing to stretch a point you can even say it started at St. Louis, because there La Lande began his historic journey over the old Boon's Lick road to old Franklin. Besides, Missouri has already planned a fine cross state highway over that route between St. Louis and Kansas City."

There being no objection, Kansas City just hooked up both ends and planned what will be within a few years the longest continuous road on the American continent—1,500 miles of almost every variety of landscape to be found in these broad United States.

"Why," Kansas and Missouri and Colorado and New Mexico are asking—

"why don't the people on the other side of the Mississippi make up and hitch their old national pike on to the new Santa Fe trail and run it back to Philadelphia or New York or Boston while we shove the other end out to the Pacific?"

KANSAS BOOMING WHISKERS.

Price of Shaving Advances to Fifteen Cents.

The high cost of living has become more pronounced in northeastern Kansas, as the price of a shave has been raised in many of the cities in that part of the state. The barbers of Hlawatha, Holton, Horton and Marysville have raised the price of operations on whiskers from 10 to 15 cents, and the barbers in Atchison made that increase several months ago.

France Rich in Museums.

France has 268 state owned museums.

KINGSTON ARISES FROM EARTHQUAKE'S RUINS.

Again Largest and Finest West Indian City, Havana Excepted.

Kingston, the city which was wrecked by earthquake and ruined more completely by fire in January, 1907, again takes its place as the largest city in the West Indies outside of Havana.

The work of restoration is almost complete, and although a few vacant sites remain unoccupied the principal shopping centers and the residential area have all been built up. The new Kingston is an immense improvement upon that which went to pieces in the catastrophe, and there are still works of public improvement to be undertaken.

Almost without exception the new store buildings are of reinforced concrete and are as nearly fireproof as local conditions have made it possible. The principal streets are adorned by colonnades, some of a very imposing character.

Public gardens and open spaces adorn the principal sections of the city, the sites for these having been acquired by the government at considerable cost, much against the wish of the taxpayers. The results have, however, more than justified the expenditure, and Kingston is today more of a tropical town than it has ever been before within modern times.

The government buildings and the splendid structures of the Bank of Nova Scotia have served to alter entirely the appearance of King street from the sea northward. The harbor front has been completely restored, and there is now talk of a sea wall or esplanade being constructed, not only to facilitate shipping, but also to serve as a driveway or promenade. Plans are also under consideration for the construction of a new park to cover about forty-five acres of land.

CHINA LAND OF DUCKS.

Quacks of National Tidbit Drown Roar of Commerce.

Tourists in China are always surprised by the number of ducks they see. There are more ducks in China than in all the rest of the world. Their voices are a familiar sound in every town and country spot of the season and the interior of the vast empire. Even in the large cities ducks abound. They dodge between the coolies' legs. They flit squawking out of the way of the horses. Their indignant quack will not seldom drown the roar of urban commerce.

Children herd ducks on every road, on every pond, on every farm, on every lake, on every river. There is no back yard without its duck house. There is no boat, little or great, without its duck quarters.

All over the land there are great duck hatching establishments, many of them of a capacity huge enough to produce 50,000 young ducks every year. Duck among the Chinese is a staple delicacy and is salted and smoked like ham or beef.

HUNTER DISGUISED AS TREE.

Illinoisian Follows "Birnam Wood" Suggestion in "Macbeth."

Harold Jensen, a University of Illinois student, will hunt geese disguised as a tree. The disguise was ordered from a theatrical scenic painter. When Jensen is inclosed in the thing he looks like a scrub oak. He expects to be able to stalk wild geese and get close up to them by means of the painted tree.

Jensen says he got the idea from Shakespeare's account of how soldiers attacking the army of Macbeth approached while concealed under tree branches carried in their hands and fulfilled the prediction that "Birnam wood would come to Dunsinane."

CAMPANILE NEARLY REBUILT.

Bells of St. Mark's to Peal Again in Another Year.

The new campanile at Venice that is to replace the old one destroyed in 1902 is nearing completion, and it is hoped that for Christmas, 1911, the bells of St. Mark's will peal again from its top and their echoes will sound over the lagoons. So far the new tower has reached a height of 195 feet, and the building of the bell turret, which from the base to the cusp is seventy-two feet high, has just been started.

The rebuilding of the campanile began in 1904, since when a hundred men have worked for 1,500 days and used 1,500,000 bricks.

Electric Locomotives in Minority.

Of the 1,023 locomotives built by one firm last year 197 were electric.

THE NEW WAY.

[Mrs. Mary Schley Brown at her wedding was attended by three Japanese spaniels of royal pedigree instead of bridesmaids.—News Item.]

No more the bridal march, each lovely maiden

In fleecy crape arrayed, with blossoms laden.

No more the frou-frou of their dainty dresses

Along the aisle to where the parson blesses.

In place of these at wedding ceremonies—

Provided things are on a basis tony—

Behold a string of purps of lineage blooded.

Glad rags adorning them and collars studded;

Behold a bride, who leads them to the altar

To noose a groom—who well deserves a halter.

But does a marriage license answer duly?

Would not a canine license fit more truly?

—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

CHANGED NAMES ARE INCREASING

Courts Disagree as to Man's Right to Alter Cognomen.

HISTORY SHOWS PRECEDENTS

Dante, Rembrandt, Erasmus and Voltaire Among Famous Men Who Dropped Given and Family Appellations. Time Responsible For Such Changes as Snooks For Sevenoaks.

New York men in some number have appeared in local courts recently asking the law to change their names. Is there some connection between this and the alarming encroachments of the suffragettes? Most probably it was retaliation led these men to pilfer the exclusively feminine privilege.

The male is not expected in midlife suddenly to begin signing a new name to his checks, putting another name on his shingle or new initials to his pajamas and seal rings.

The man who fleches this alien prerogative must feel as if he were marrying—without discomforts. What with the court procedure, the legal formalities and pronouncements, Paul Kelly, one of the men instance, must have felt as if he were being divorced, for Kelly had been Vancarell until he was knighted Kelly as better befitting the pugnacity of a budding pugilist. Now he has regained his "maiden name," with an absolute decree of separation.

One of the judges in these recent cases ruled against a citizen's common law right to try on new names as if they were hats. The other upheld that, regardless of courts, a man may call himself names if he likes, may christen, baptize, libel or mispell himself to his heart's content. The precedents are strong in history that men have renamed as women marry, some for social station, others to inherit wealth or for the love of it, as Mark Twain, or out of compulsory and stern necessity, as the alias gentry.

Time Changer of Names.

Some names will change, given time enough, though all the king's men legislate to the contrary. There are family names that crumple up after years; they just deliquesce. Such are the English Marchbanks, crumbled from the ortund Marjoribanks, and old Cholmondeley come down to Chumley. Squire Sevenoaks that was today is Mr. Snooks, an awful petering out.

It is well that the legal restrictions to remedying a cognomen are few in a country where there is no regulation of christenings and where some mighty heathenish Christian names assassinate the happiness of youth. It was in this country the printer lived who called his firstborn "Imprimis," his second "Finis," but a third came, to be indexed "Appendix," and a fourth "Addendum." There was nothing left for the fifth but "Erratum." (Consider the nicknames, from "Imp" to "Rat.") The law should make it easy for such victims to try again.

If you are born in France, French law forbids your being designated by any name other than one warranted by previous use by a hero or saint. The limitation is not serious. The supply of heroes may give out, but not of saints. Travelers need only recall the inhabited facades of French cathedrals.

People of the Latin countries feel safest from the stroke of disaster when well lightning rodded with saints' names. How does the Portuguese prince speak of himself? Alphonso Henry Napoleon Maria Louis Peter of Alcantara Charles Humbert Amadeus Ferdinand Anthony Michael Raphael Gabriel Gonzago Xavier Francis of Assisi John Augustus Julius Volfrondo Ignatius of Braganza, Savoy, Bourbon, Saxe-Coburg and Gotha.

Changed Names Make History.

Some of the grandest historical names are inventions, or at least modifications, by their owners. Moliere, founder of modern comedy, invented that word, probably, and has survived in it. Durante Allighieri found himself obliged to choose from the spellings Alighieri, Alaghieri and Aligeri, so he was signed himself Dante. A Dutch painter won fame too great for so bourgeois a name as "Herman's Son" to bear; he changed it to Rembrandt van Rijn, which is aristocratic and mouth filling and warrant in his having been born beside one of the hundred mouths of the Rhine.

Geert de Praet had a son called simply "Geert's Geert." The boy became the greatest scholar of the middle ages, dignified himself as "Desiderius Erasmus," meaning the "Doubly Desired," apparently a fling of defiance at those who would sneer at his bar sinister. "Aroutet" is not a bad name; it has a subtle suggestion of acerbity, which should have gratified the great French satirist who bore it, but he anagrammed it inaccurately into "Voltaire," which has blotted out his born patronymic.

Genius worked out these names for itself; their greater fitness to connote their owners is proved by posterity's preferring them to the legal originals. Likewise it is hard to see why any Dingwall or Puffer should not, if he desires, discard his label altogether, be a forefather of a family and literally make a name for himself.

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AND EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK

The Macks Hypnotic Comedy Company

Most Eminent American Hypnotists and Telepathists in a Roaring Repertoire of Fun and Amusement

PRICES 10, 20 and 30 cents
Seats on Sale at Reuillard's

SENTENCE SERMONS.

Let us gossip of one another's virtues; then will the vices take care of themselves.

Some are thoughtless, some can't think; there is hope for the former.

"Good-manner," said Archbishop Temple, "demand three things: self-control, self-denial, and self-respect."

In looking back over our lives at the moments that have been worth while, how many of them did money buy?—From Success Magazine.

One of the worst things that can ever happen to a person is to get it into his head that he was born unlucky and that the Fates are against him. There are no Fates, outside of our mentality. We control our own destiny.

There are thousands of people who have lost everything they valued in the world, all the material results of their lives' endeavor, and yet, because they possess stout hearts, unconquerable spirits, a determination to push ahead which knows no retreat, they are just as far from real failure as before their loss; and with such wealth they can never be poor.—Success Magazine.

Legal Blanks for Sale.

The following legal blanks are kept in stock and for sale at the office of The Democrat-Forum:

Trust deeds, per dozen 25c

Warranty deeds, per dozen 25c

Chattel mortgages, per dozen 25c

Quit claim deeds, per dozen 25c

Farm leases, per dozen 25c

House leases, per dozen 25c

Mrs. W. H. England returned to her home in St. Joseph Tuesday evening, after a few days' visit with her sister, Mrs. Edward Forsyth.

John Callahan of near Clyde was brought to St. Francis hospital Tuesday for treatment.

Cough Caution

Never, positively never poison your lungs. If you cough—even from a simple cold only—you should always heal, soothe, and ease the irritated bronchial tubes. Don't blindly suppress it with a stupefying poison. It's strange how some things finally come about. For twenty years Dr. Shoop has constantly warned people not to take cough mixtures or prescriptions containing Opium, Chloroform, or similar poisons. And now—a little late though—Congress says "Put it on the label, if poisons are in your Cough Mixture." Good! Very good! Hereafter for all very reasonable mothers, and others, should insist on having Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. No poison marks on Dr. Shoop's label—and none in the medicine, else it must by law be on the label. And it's not only safe, but it is said to be by those that know it best, a truly remarkable cough remedy. Take no chance then, particularly with your children. Insist on having Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. Compare carefully the Dr. Shoop package with others and note the difference. No poison marks there! You can always be on the safe side by demanding

Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure

THOMAS J. PAELE.

FOR SALE—150 head of good stock hogs, weighing on an average 110 to 125 pounds. Can be seen at farm, near Arkoe. W. R. Raney, Arkoe, Mo. 11-14

TO-NIGHT

THE CRYSTAL STOCK CO.

Presents

"On the Verge of Ruin"

in 4 acts

With Specialties

Crystal Theatre

THERE IS CONTENTMENT WHEN THERE IS MONEY IN THE BANK



An Opportune Time

The beginning of a New Year is a good time to start your business on systematic basis.

We would suggest that you deposit your money with this bank subject to check. By paying all your bills and obligations by check you will be enabled to keep an absolute record of all such transactions.

Bills paid by check stay paid.

Nodaway Valley Bank

Capital and Surplus \$120,000.00

MARYVILLE, MO

City Taxes

The City Council at their meeting, January 5, instructed the Collection of all unpaid taxes—if necessary, bring suit. We hope those who are delinquent will avoid this expense by getting their receipts before January 31.

J. C. GREMS
City Collector

Your Winter Vacation
Should Be Spent in

CALIFORNIA

BECAUSE nowhere else can you find such a variety of scenery or a more wonderful, beneficial or delightful winter climate. BECAUSE there you can best get away from business or household cares and worry and just rest, rest, rest. The economical, the comfortable and a popular way to go is in a

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Ask me how to join a party and get our folder describing the trip in detail.

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WHY SO WEAK?

Kidney Troubles May Be Sapping Your Life Away—Maryville People Have Learned This Fact.

When a healthy man or woman begins to run down without apparent cause, becomes weak, languid, depressed, suffers backache, headache, dizzy spells and urinary disorders, kidney weakness may be the cause of it all. Keep the kidneys well and they will keep you well. Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys and keep them well. Can Maryville readers demand further proof than the following statement:

Mrs. W. M. Newman, Chestnut street, Savannah, Mo., says: "Doan's Kidney Pills have been of more benefit to me

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NOT A GAME OF CHANCE.

The Jury Decided That Seven-up Was Purely Scientific.

One of Mark Twain's old time stories concerned the game of seven-up, or old sledge. Some Kentucky boys were arrested for playing this game under the usual charge of playing a game of chance. When they were brought before the judge their lawyer claimed that this game was not a game of chance, but was a game of science. The court, puzzled, asked for a suggestion, and the lawyer declared that if a jury of six gamblers well acquainted with the game in a scientific way and six deacons be impaneled with a pack of cards their decision ought to be determinative. So the story goes:

"There was no disputing the fairness of the proposition. Four deacons and the two dominies were sworn in as the 'chance' jurymen, and six inveterate old seven-up professors were chosen to represent the 'science' side of the issue. They retired to the jury room.

"In about two hours Deacon Peters sent into court to borrow \$3 from a friend. In about two hours more Dominie Miggles sent into court to borrow a 'stake' from a friend. During the next three or four hours the dominie and the other deacons sent into court for small loans.

"The rest of the story can be told briefly. About daylight the jury came in, and Deacon Job, the foreman, read the following verdict:

"We, the jury in the case of the commonwealth of Kentucky versus John Wheeler et al., have carefully considered the points of the case and tested the merits of the several theories advanced and do hereby unanimously decide that the game commonly known as old sledge, or seven-up, is eminently a game of science and not of chance. In demonstration whereof it is hereby and herein stated, iterated, reiterated, set forth and made manifest that during the entire night the 'chance' men never won a game or turned a jack, although both feats were common and frequent to the opposition, and furthermore in support of this our verdict we call attention to the significant fact that the 'chance' men are all broke and the 'science' men have got the money. It is the deliberate opinion of this jury that the 'chance' theory concerning seven-up is a pernicious doctrine and calculated to inflict untold suffering and pecuniary loss upon any community that takes stock in it."

SLEEPING SICKNESS.

The Grip This Dreadful Disease Takes Upon Its Victims.

The course of the dreadful disease, sleeping sickness, is an extremely slow one. The first stage is said to last a year or more, and the cause of the disease may be in the blood long before any symptoms whatever present themselves. The patient has occasional fever; indeed a disease hitherto called Gambia fever has recently been recognized as the first stage of sleeping sickness. It is said that the swelling of the lymphatic glands of the neck is a characteristic early symptom. This was known in 1893 to Dr. Winterbottom, who states that slave traders, recognizing the symptom of a fatal disease, would not buy slaves who had this glandular enlargement. The patient feels well and strong and is able to go about his usual occupations.

The second stage is indicated by a distinct change in the appearance of the patient. His expression grows heavy and dull; he becomes apathetic, lies around a great deal and cannot exert himself. With the progress of the disease these symptoms become more marked; walking and speech become difficult and finally impossible. During the last week the sufferer lies in a state of complete coma, from which the illness derives its name. Often during the second stage of the disease the brain becomes affected, and some of the patients try to run away into the forests or swamps, where they die of exposure or starvation. To prevent this the relatives of a sufferer frequently chain him down until the time comes when he can no longer move.—McClure's Magazine.

Some Famous Men of Old.

The "nine worthies" were Joshua, David, Judas Maccabeus, Hector of Troy, Alexander the Great, Julius Caesar, King Arthur of Britain, Charlemagne of France and Godfrey of Bouillon. The list varies somewhat, but this is the most popular one. The "seven wise men of Greece" were Solon, Thales, Pittacus, Bias, Cleobolus, Myson and Chelion of Sparta. The supposition is, of course, that these were not the only wise men in Greece, but the wisest.—New York American.

Waiting For Him.

"Yes, mum," said Poetic Pete as he twined an autumn leaf through his buttonhole. "I am a great lover of the romantic. I stopped at his gate because I saw de sign 'Idlewood.'" "You did?" approved the housewife. "Well, there is a lot of idle wood down at the wood pile. Just take this ax and split up half a cord."—Chicago News.

A Greater Attraction.

Herr Harden told of a meeting at Gasten between William I. and Francis Joseph. The Austrian sovereign commented impatiently on the too pressing attentions of the crowd. "It won't last long," returned his ally soothingly. "Bismarck will be here directly, and then no one will look at us."—London Spectator.

We may forgive those who bore us. We cannot forgive those whom we bore.—La Rochefoucauld.



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Springs 10c
Old Roosters 6c
Ducks 8c
Geese 6c
Tallow 4c
Eggs 22c
Cream 23c
Butter 16c
Hides 7½c
Turkeys 14c

St. Louis Live Stock Market.
National Stock Yards, Ill., Jan. 10.—Cattle receipts, 5,500. Heavy steers 15c lower; others steady to 10c lower. Butcher stuff steady. Compared with a week ago steers show a decline of 25c; butcher stuff 10 to 15c.
Hog receipts, 14,500. Market 5 to 10c lower; top, \$8.15; bulk, \$8.00 to \$8.07½.
Sheep receipts, 4,500. Market steady. Top lambs, \$6.35; Mexican sheep, \$4.50; westerns, \$4.35; native ewes, \$4.10.
National Live Stock Commission Co.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.
CHICAGO.
Cattle—19,000. Market steady. Estimate tomorrow, 8,000.
Hogs—28,000. Market 5 to 10c lower; top, \$8.00. Estimate tomorrow, 27,000.
Sheep—26,000. Market steady.
KANSAS CITY.
Cattle—6,000. Market steady.
Hogs—14,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$7.90.
Sheep—7,000. Market steady.
ST. JOSEPH.
Cattle—2,500. Market steady.
Hogs—8,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$7.90.
Sheep—1,000. Market steady.

From South Dakota.
Mr. and Mrs. John T. Monticue of near Pierre, S. D., who have been visiting Mrs. Monticue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Huff, northwest of Maryville, went to St. Joseph Tuesday evening to visit Mr. Monticue's sister, Mrs. D. F. Sherlock, and her family. Mr. Monticue and his parents, who live near Harrold, S. D., went to that country four years ago from the Wilcox neighborhood and are well pleased with that country.

S. H. Kemp, cashier of the Maryville National Bank, is confined to his home with sickness.

Wants

Farm leases and quit claim deeds for sale at this office.

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STORAGE—At reasonable prices. Good clean room. Will insure if desired. Charles E. Stilwell, over Maryville National bank. Hanamo phones, office 299, residence 243. 2-11

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AGENTS—Either sex, to distribute free packages Borax Soap Powder. Good pay. All or spare time. No money needed. Dept. 7, 3422 Lincoln Av., Chicago, Ill.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Maughmer and son, Carl Maughmer, of Savannah, visited in Maryville Monday and Tuesday as the guests of Mrs. S. B. Davenport and her daughters of West Third street.

J. M. Smith went to Clearmont Wednesday on business.

The Maryville Marble & Granite Works

formerly conducted by Young & Koch will in the future be known as Young & Co., Mr. Koch retiring from the business. We would be pleased to have those in need of monumental work call and inspect our stock and get our prices before buying elsewhere. We can save you money.

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PIGUS RIDGE.
Mr. and Mrs. Alva Logan of Arkoe spent Sunday the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Will Anderson.

Elmer Young, who has been real sick, is reported better at this writing. Mrs. Arthur Jackson and children, who have been visiting relatives here the past three weeks, returned to her home in Atlanta, Neb., last week. She was accompanied home by her mother and brother, Mrs. R. W. Ambrose and Floy Ambrose.

Ed Brunk was bailing hay the first of the week.

Mrs. James Whitehurst and daughter, Mrs. Bert Torrance, were calling on Mrs. John Kidd last Friday.

Flo Kidd and Willie Kidd are improving nicely, after several days' siege of the grip.

To Our Customers

Having purchased the interests of Fred W. Smith in the Smith & Pearce Coal company I hereby request all parties knowing themselves indebted to the firm of Smith & Pearce to call at their old office and pay same, as I need the money to pay the old firm's obligations, all of which I have assumed. All Coal delivered by me will be subject to immediate payment when delivery is made or when order is given.

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